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FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY LISBON  
AMEMBASSY MADRID  
INFO AMCONSUL BARCELONA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OTRA, PO, SP

SUBJECT:FORMER AMBASSADOR STEPHANSKY REQUESTS MEETING  
WITH SOARES

REF: STATE 189502

1. FORMER AMBASSADOR STEPHANSKY (REFTEL) NOW REQUESTS THAT  
EMBASSY SEEK APPOINTMENT WITH PRIME MINISTER SOARES FOR  
HIMSELF AND VICTOR REUTHER DURING AUG. 25-30 LISBON VISIT.  
STEPHANSKY SAID REUTHER HAD WRITTEN TO SOARES REQUESTING  
MEETING, BUT THEY WOULD DEPART FROM US BEFORE REPLY COULD  
BE RECEIVED.

2. STEPHANSKY SAID REUTHER AND SOARES WERE OLD FRIENDS.  
IN ADDITION, STEPHANSKY SAID SOARES HAD FORMERLY BEEN  
"CORRESPONDENT" OF THE INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR HUMAN  
RIGHTS (FORMERLY THE INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR THE RIGHTS OF  
MAN) OF WHICH REUTHER HAS BEEN LISTED AS A MEMBER OF BOARD  
OF DIRECTORS.

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3. STEPHANSKY SAID THAT DURING CONVERSATION WITH SOARES, HE INTENDED TO NOTIFY SOARES THAT INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE WISHED TO PRESENT ITS HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD TO HIM. AWARD WOULD ENTAIL SOARES TRAVELLING TO NEW YORK IN NOVEMBER OR DECEMBER, 1976 (POSSIBLY ON HUMAN RIGHTS DAY DEC. 12) FOR ACCEPTANCE. STEPHANSKY ASKED THAT EMBASSY SUPPORT THIS IDEA IN ARRANGING FOR APPOINTMENT.

4. AT EMBASSY'S DISCRETION, YOU MAY INFORM SOARES OF STEPHANSKY'S REQUEST, PERHAPS IN FORM OF INQUIRY WHETHER REUTHER'S LETTER TO SOARES HAS BEEN RECEIVED. HOWEVER, ALTHOUGH INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE IS KNOWN TO DEPARTMENT AS SERIOUS, RELIABLE ORGANIZATON, YOU SHOULD REFRAIN FROM CONVEYING ANY IMPRESSION THAT IT OR VISIT IS CONNECTED WITH USG IN ANY WAY. PLEASE ADVISE MADRID AND BARCELONA WHERE REUTHER AND STEPHANSKY INTEND TO PICK UP MAIL, IF SOARES AGREES TO MEETING.

5. FOR MADRID, FYI: STEPHANSKY SAID HE INTENDED TO CALL ON DCM EATON DURING MADRID STOPOVER. ROBINSON

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